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STATE OF NEW JERSEY  
DEPARTMENT OF LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY  
DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS  
STATE BOARD OF DENTISTRY

IN THE MATTER OF THE SUSPENSION:  
OR REVOCATION OF THE LICENSE OF:

Administrative Action

**STEWART A. LEVINE, D.M.D.** :  
License No. ~~097709~~ **9709** :

**CONSENT ORDER**

TO PRACTICE DENTISTRY :  
IN THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY :

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This matter was opened to the New Jersey State Board of Dentistry (hereinafter "the Board") upon receipt of information that respondent rendered negligent care to a patient. Specifically, it had been alleged that between January 31, 1997 and May 13, 1997, respondent provided dental treatment to patient Y.K.L. which was not consistent with the standard of care, subjecting her to pain and requiring that additional dental work be undertaken. On June 21, 2000, respondent appeared pro se that inadequate diagnostic efforts were undertaken, flawed readings of x-rays were made and substandard crowns and endoscopic therapy was provided. In addition poor record keeping was noted. These facts

establish basis for disciplinary action pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(d) in that a review of the dental care provided to Y.K.L. reveals three separate breaches of the standard care-relating to deficient diagnostic efforts; one to provision substandard therapy, and lastly there was no period-charting or documentation of a discussion of prognosis. It appearing that respondent desires to resolve this matter without admissions or denials and without recourse to formal proceedings and for good cause shown:

IT IS ON THIS 16<sup>th</sup> DAY OF April, 2000,

**HEREBY ORDERED AND AGREED THAT:**

1. Respondent shall successfully complete and pass the following continuing education courses: Seven (7) hours of didactic training in "crown and bridge" and seven (7) hours of didactic training in endodontic therapy since respondent has elected to restrict his practice and forego clinical practice. These courses shall be completed within six (6) months of the entry of the within Consent Order. Further, these courses, which are in addition to the regularly required continuing education hours, shall be approved by the Board in writing prior to attendance. Respondent shall be required to complete the attached Continuing Education and Proof of Attendance Report as proof of successful completion of the required course work. The attached forms are made a part of the within Consent Order, and a separate form is to be used for each course.

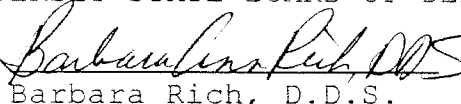
2. Respondent is hereby assessed the costs to the State of for the investigation in this matter in the amount of \$264.99; \$150.00 for the Board consultant; \$114.94 for the transcript and court reporter. Payment for the costs shall be submitted by certified check or money order made payable to the State of New Jersey and shall be sent to Kevin B. Earle, Executive Director, 124 Halsey Street, Sixth Floor, P.O. Box 45005, Newark, New Jersey 07101 no later than twenty-one days from the entry of this Consent Order.

3. Respondent shall reimburse Y.K.L. in the amount of \$2,500.00. A certified check or money order made payable to Y.K.L. shall be sent within twenty-one (21) days of the entry date of this Consent Order to Kevin B. Earle, Executive Director, at the address described in paragraph 2.

4. Failure to remit any payment as required by this Order will result in the filing of a certificate of debt.

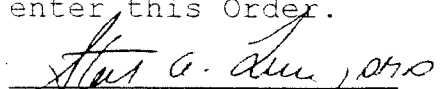
NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF DENTISTRY

By:



Barbara Rich, D.D.S.  
President

I have read and understand the within Consent Order and agree to be bound by its terms. Consent is hereby given to the Board to enter this Order.



Stewart A. Levine, D.M.D.